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Honorable Travis Lee, Mayor
City of Cave Springs
P.O. Box 36
Cave Springs, AR 72712

RE: Ark. Code Ann. § 16-17-1106, Salary of state district court judges

Dear Mayor Lee:

Under Ark. Code Ann. § 16-17-1106, each county, town or city located in a State district court judgeship shall pay to the State an amount equal to its proportionate share of one half (1/2) of the base salary established by law for FY2009. The base salary for FY2009 was \$117,300. Half of that amount is \$58,650, with the remainder to be paid by the State. The purpose of this letter is to certify the proportionate share of \$58,650 to be paid by the county and the cities and towns in your State district court judgeship(s).

Under the code, the amount to be paid by each county and town or city can be established by written agreement. A form included with this letter apportions the salary costs among the county, cities and towns in your State district court judgeship according to the terms of the prior-year's agreement. Please **sign and return the Proportionate Share Agreement** to this office at the address listed above by **November 15, 2016**. If the terms of the agreement have changed, please amend the agreement as necessary to clearly denote the terms of the amended agreement and return to this office by **November 15, 2016** if you are unable to reach an agreement, please contact this office. The Department of Finance and Administration – Administration of Justice Fund Section will certify proportionate share amounts according to the terms of Ark. Code Ann. § 16-17-1106.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me at (501) 371-6145.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

Cc: Judge Robert Clinard
Mayor Bob McCaslin
Mayor Jackie Crabtree
Mayor Peter Christie

Treasurer Deanna Ratcliffe

Act 1219 of 2011 State District Court Program

2017 Calendar Year Proportionate Share Agreement

WHEREAS; Act 1219 of 2011 states that the State of Arkansas shall pay the salary and benefits of state district court judges; Act 663 further provides that each county and town or city that has a state district court judgeship created shall pay to the state an amount equal to its proportionate share of one-half (½) of the base salary established by law for that county and town or city's state district court judge; and

WHEREAS; Act 1219 of 2011 established a base salary of \$117,300 in 2011 for a state district court judge; and

WHEREAS; Act 1219 of 2011 provides that a county and town or city that has a state district court judgeship created may agree in writing on the amount to be paid to the state by the county and town or city for its proportionate share of one-half (½) of the salary established by law for its state district court judge;

THEREFORE; an agreement has been reached between the Cities of **Bentonville, Cave Springs, Pea Ridge, Bella Vista and Benton County**, Arkansas to pay to the state one-half (½) of the state district court judge's salary or **\$58,650.00 as follows:**

DISTRICT 2 (Bentonville)

Benton County	Paying	\$18,211.00
City of Bella Vista	Paying	\$10,000.00
City of Bentonville	Paying	\$23,783.00
City of Cave Springs	Paying	\$1,700.00
City of Pea Ridge	Paying	\$4,956.00

Benton County Judge

Benton County Treasurer

Bella Vista Mayor

Cave Springs Mayor

Bentonville Mayor

Pea Ridge Mayor